Minutes of the Three Hundred and Thirty-Fourth Meeting, a Special Meeting, of the Highway Commission held in the Baker Hotel at Dallas, Texas, with the following members present:

Brady Gentry Reuben Williams Fred E. Knetsch Chairman Member Member

D. C. Greer

State Highway Engineer

20157

It is ordered by the Commission that a Special Meeting of the State Highway Commission be opened at 1:00 P.M., August 23, 1943.

20158

It is ordered by the Commission that each of the following contracts, having been examined by the Commission and it being found that it complies with the order of award by the Commission, is hereby approved in accordance with Section 12, Chapter 186, General Laws of Texas as passed by the 1925 Legislature, 39th Regular Session.

		DATE		
COUNTY	PROJECT	AWARDED	CONTRACTOR	
Jefferson	DAWI 85-A(1)	8-16-43	Charles Cohen	
Bexar	DAWR 83-A(1)	7-23-43	Briggs-Killian Company	
Coryell	DAWR 35-C(1)	8-3-43	Harry Campbell	
Galveston	DAWC 87-A(2)	7-26-43	Ole Peterson & Son	
Midland	Control 380-9-2	7-31-43	Thomas & Ratliff	
Hudspeth	Contr. 2-8-8	7-31-43	D. & H. Constr. Company	
	Contr. 2-9-5			
Jackson	Contr. 346-7-3	7-31-43	W. C. Evans	
Galveston	DAWC 87-A(1)	7-10-43	Standard Dredging Corp.	
Brazoria	AI-FAP 1037-A(1)		Cage Bros. & H. E. Williams	
	AI-FAP 351-A(2)			
Bexar	DAWR 81-A(1)		Colglazier & Hoff, Inc.	
Hartley &	DAWR 88-A(1)	8-14-43	McKinney Construction Co.	
Dallam	DAWR 88-B(1)	•		
Newton	Control 304-6-16	8-14-43	C. T. Boles	
Cameron	DAWR 90-A(1)		H. B. Zachry Company	
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20159

In <u>BEXAR COUNTY</u>, on bids received August 10, 1943, contract for construction of grading, structures, flexible base and asphaltic concrete pavement, from Crownhill Boulevard to Alamo Field via Wetmore and Bitters Roads, a distance of 1.904 miles on <u>HIGHWAY M. R.</u>, Control 915-26-1, DAWR 81-A (1), is awarded to Colglazier & Hoff, Inc., San Antonio, Texas for \$23,213.32, which is the lowest and best bid, subject to the concurrence of the Public Roads Administration.

20160

In <u>BRAZORIA COUNTY</u>, on bids received August 10, 1943, contract for construction of concrete pavement from Clute Road to Angleton, a distance of 11.631 miles on <u>HIGHWAY NO. 288</u>, Control 111-8&7-20&7, AI-FAP 1037-A(1) and 351-A(2), is awarded to Cage Brothers and H. E. Williams, Bishop, Texas for \$290,262.00, which is the lowest and best bid, subject to the concurrence of the Public Roads Administration.

20161

In <u>CAMERON COUNTY</u>, on bids received August 10, 1943, contract for construction of grading structures and concrete pavement, from State Highway 4, 1.5 miles N.E. Brownsville to Army Air Transport Command Base, a distance of 1.464 miles on <u>HIGHWAY M. R. Control</u> 487-1-2, DAWR 90-A (1), is awarded to H. B. Zachry Company, San Antonio, Texas for \$74,202.00, which is the lowest and best bid, subject to the concurrence of the Public Roads Administration.

20162

In <u>HARTLEY AND DALLAM COUNTIES</u>, on bids received August 10, 1943, contract for construction of grading, pipe culverts, flexible base and double asphalt surface treatment, from 3 miles S.W. Dalhart to U. S. Army Auxiliary Air Field No. 1 and from U. S. Highway 54, 5 miles N.E. of Dalhart to U. S. Army Auxiliary Air Field No. 2, a distance of 10.968 miles on <u>HIGHWAY M.R. and U. S. HIGHWAY 54</u>, Control 238-2-2 and 904-34&35-1&1, DAWR 88-A(1) and 88-B(1), is awarded to McKinney Construction Company, Marshall, Texas, for \$158,935.02, which is the lowest and best bid, subject to the concurrence of the Public Roads Administration.

20163

In LAMAR COUNTY, on bids received August 10, 1943, contract for construction of asphaltic concrete pavement, from Paris to 0.5 miles north of the Delta County Line, a distance of 11.903 miles on STATE HIGHWAY NO. 24, Control 136-5&6-16&12, is awarded to McKinney Construction Company of Marshall, Texas for \$38,960.82, which is the lowest and best bid.

20164

In <u>NEWTON COUNTY</u>, on bids received August 10, 1943, contract for construction of Yellow Bayou Bridge, a distance of 180 feet on <u>STATE HIGHWAY NO. 87</u>, Control 304-6-16, is awarded to C. T. Boles, Jasper, Texas, for \$21,793.75, which is the lowest and best bid.

20165

In RED RIVER COUNTY, all bids received August 10, 1943, contract for construction of soil cement base and seal coat, from Johntown to 1.5 miles south of Bogata, a distance of 2.533 miles on U. S. HIGH-WAY NO. 271, Control 221-3-13, are hereby rejected.

20166

On the following projects on which bids were received on August 10, 1943 and on which contracts have been awarded, an initial construction appropriation of \$592,700.00 is hereby made to be distributed to the projects listed below.

COUNTY	PROJECT	HWY.	LENGTH	TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION	LOCATION AMOUNT
Brazoria	AI-FAP 351-A(2)	288	5.367	Concrete Pavement	4.8 Mi.S. \$151,800.00 of Angleton TO: Hwy. 35 in Angleton
Brazoria	AI-FAP 1037-A(1)	288	5.913	Concrete Pavement	2.0 Mi.NW 158,700.00 of Velasco TO: 4.8 Mi.S. of Angleton
Bexar	DAWR 81-A(1)	M.R.	1.904	Gr.,Str.,Flex.Bs. & Asph. Pvt.	Crownhill 25,800.00 TO: Alamo Airfield
Hartley	DAWR 88-A(1)	54	7.645	Gr.,Str.,Flex.Bs. & Asph.Pvt.	3.0 Mi.S.W.123,800.00 of Dalhart TO: Auxiliary Airfield No. 1
Dallam	DAWR 88-B(1)	M.R.	3.323	Gr.,Str.,Flex.Bs. & Asph. Pvt.	5.0 Mi. NE 51,000.00 of Dalhart TO: Auxiliary Airfield No. 2

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COUNTY	PROJECT	HWY.	LENGTH	CONSTRUCTION	LOCATION	AMOUNT	
Cameron	DAWR 90-A(1)	M.R.	1.464	Gr.,Str. & Conc. Pvt.	1.0 Mi. E. of Hwy 4 & 48 TO: Transp Command Base		
					TOTAL	\$ 592,700.00	
	A.F.E. 43-166						
20167	In the following counties an appropriation of \$26,500.00 is hereby made in amounts shown opposite the project number for the construction by Day Labor method under the authority as shown:						
COUNTY	PROJECT NO.	HWY	LENGI		OF FION LIMITS	AMOUNT	
Hudspeth	DARM 91-A(1)	M.F	3.75	Gr.,Conc. & Pipe Cul		Road \$24,000.00	
Tarrant	FAGM 179-A(1	) F.	0.00	Flashing L Signals	ight Intersection St. L. & Son Ry. & White Settlement	.W.	
				* *	TOTAL	\$ 26,500.00	
	A.F.E. 43-167						
20168	It is ordered by the Commission that the following contract, having been examined by the Highway Commission and it being found that it complies with the order of award of the Commission, is hereby approved in accordance with Section 12, Chapter 186, General Laws of Texas as passed by the 1925 Legislature, 39th Regular Session.						
COUNTY	PROJECT NO.		ATE ARDED	CONTR	ACTOR	AMOUNT	
Colorado	M-27-1-20		31-43		ties Company	\$ 6,150.00	
20169	In LAMAR COUNTY on STATE HIGHWAY NO. 24, it is ordered by the Commission that the following contract, which has been examined by the Commission and found to comply with the order of award by the Commission is hereby approved in accordance with Section 12, Chapter 186, General Laws of Texas, as passed by the 1925 Legislature, 39th Regular Session.						
COUNTY	JOB NUMBER	HWY. NO	LENGT	H CONTRACTO	R DATE	AMOUNT	
Lamar	M-136-5-16 M-136-6-12	St. 24			8-23-43	\$ 38,960.82	

20170

In ATASCOSA AND McMULLEN COUNTIES, on STATE HIGHWAY 173, it is ordered that \$96,000.00 be and is hereby appropriated to complete the project now under construction on State Highway 173 from State Highway 97 in Jourdanton to Tilden, a distance of approximately 33.1 miles, and the State Highway Engineer is directed to initiate such procedure as he may deem advisable and necessary to the proper prosecution of the work.

## A.F.E. 43-168

20171

In BANDERA COUNTY, on HIGHWAY NO. 16, Control L 291-4-4, it is ordered that an additional appropriation of \$14,100.00 be and is hereby made to cover the cost of applying a base preservative on the work now under way on this project.

#### A.F.E. 43-169

20172

In COLLINGSWORTH COUNTY, it is ordered that a spur be designated from State Highway No. 203 at Quail, north approximately 1.0 mile and that this spur be taken over for maintenance.

20173

In COMAL COUNTY, on RANCH TO MARKET HIGHWAY 32, Control L 511-2-1, it is ordered that an increased appropriation of \$105,962.00 be and is hereby made to permit completion of the work now under way.

## A.F.E. 43-170

20174

In DAWSON COUNTY, on HIGHWAY 137, Control SP 380-5-3, it is ordered that an increased appropriation of \$5,400.00 be and is hereby made for the previously authorized work.

# A.F.E. 43-171

20175

WHEREAS, in ELLIS COUNTY, FARM TO MARKET HIGHWAY NO. 74 has been designated from Waxahachie to Maypearl; and FARM TO MARKET HIGHWAY NO. 66 from Tasca to Files Valley in HILL COUNTY, has been extended from Files Valley to Maypearl;

THEREFORE, to maintain uniformity in marking, it is ordered that Farm to Market Highway No. 74 be changed to become part of Farm to Market Highway No. 66. Any and/or all conditions imposed on the previous designation to remain in force.

20176

In FANNIN COUNTY on designated Farm Highway signed as PARK ROAD NO. 24, from a junction with State Highway 78 south of Bonham to the Bonham State Park and including the main loop drive around the lake within the Park, a total distance of 3.7 miles, it is ordered by the Commission that the actual date of State assumption of maintenance on this section of road is August 14, 1943.

20177

In FREESTONE COUNTY on FARM HIGHWAY 80, from Teague to Donie, a distance of approximately 12.5 miles, designated by Minute 20146 dated August 3, 1943, it is ordered by the Commission that the actual date of State assumption of maintenance is August 14, 1943.

20178

In HAYS COUNTY on O. S. R., from 4.4 miles northeast of Highway 80 to the corner of Hays, Caldwell and Travis County, a distance of 11.364 miles, designated by Minute 20100 dated August 2, 1943, it is ordered by the Commission that the actual date of State assumption of maintenance was June 12, 1943.

20179

In HOWARD AND SCURRY COUNTIES, it is ordered that a highway be designated from Big Spring to Snyder, a distance of approximately 45.0 miles, on location approved by the State Highway Department, and the State Highway Engineer is directed to make a study of the area involved to determine the most appropriate routing of the highway. This designation is made conditional upon the understanding that no maintenance will be assumed until the highway shall have been constructed by the State Highway Department, and that no part of an existing road is covered by this designation until and unless it develops when this highway shall have been constructed that a part has been given full utility in the new road.

20180

In JEFFERSON COUNTY, on D.A.W.I. 85-A(1), an initial construction appropriation of \$107,000.00 is hereby made on which bids were received on June 22, 1943 and on which the contract has been awarded for the construction of 1.244 miles of grading, structures, and concrete pavement on an ACCESS ROAD from Port Neches and Graves Road to Avenue "A" at the Butane Rubber Plant.

## A.F.E. 43-172

20181

In JEFFERSON COUNTY, STATE HIGHWAY 73 (228), it is hereby ordered that the Governor be requested to execute a deed to M. W. Maske, conveying certain land erroneously described in deed to the State of April 8, 1940 executed by M. W. Maske and his late wife, Mattie Maske, Vol. 477, Page 105, in even exchange for a correction deed from M. W. Maske.

20182

WHEREAS, in <u>KARNES AND GOLIAD COUNTIES</u>, the desirability of designating a Farm to <u>Market Road extending from Runge to Charco is</u> under consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Counties, acting through their constituted authorities, have requested this designation and have pledged that the Counties will retain full and complete responsibility for the full and final payment of all indebtedness prevailing against the road; and

WHEREAS, Karnes and Goliad Counties, in offering to retain responsibility for indebtedness prevailing against the road, recognize the financial gain that will accrue to the Counties from State assumption of the expense of future maintenance and future construction along the proposed designation; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 348, Regular Session, Forty-Eighth Legislature, makes possible County retention of prevailing indebtedness on Farm to Market Roads designated by the Highway Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Commission in its deliberation of the merits of this designation has taken into consideration the policy of allowing County indebtedness to remain with the Counties, as well as the enabling legislation therefor;

20182 Continued --

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that a Farm to Market Road be and is hereby designated, extending from Runge to Charco, a distance of approximately 12 miles, said road to be signed for the proper guidance of the traveling public as a FARM TO MARKET HIGHWAY, and the State Highway Engineer is directed to inaugurate negotiations with Karnes and Goliad Counties to consummate an agreement with each whereby the Counties and/or Road Districts, acting by and through the Commissioners' Court, in consideration of this designation and maintenance, will retain full responsibility for all prevailing indebtedness against the road, as permitted under Senate Bill No. 348, Regular Session, Forty-Eighth Legislature, and furnish such right of way as may be required. This order of the Highway Commission will not become effective until agreements have been executed by the authorized officials of both Karnes and Goliad Counties and by the Highway Department.

20183

In <u>KERR COUNTY</u>, on <u>HIGHWAY NO. 16</u>, Control L 291-3-10, it is ordered that an additional appropriation of \$1,200.00 be and is hereby made to cover the cost of applying a base preservative on the work now under way on this project.

#### A.F.E. 43-173

20184

In LAMAR COUNTY on STATE HIGHWAY 24, it is ordered by the Commission that an appropriation of \$41,690.00 be and is hereby made for placing a cutback asphaltic concrete pavement from Paris to 0.5 mile north of the Delta County line, a distance of 11.903 miles. This work is to be performed by contract through the Maintenance Division.

## A,F.E. 43-174

20185

In LAMAR COUNTY on FARM HIGHWAY 79, from Paris to Unity, a total distance of approximately 14.9 miles designated by Minute 20148 dated August 3, 1943, it is ordered by the Commission that the actual date of State assumption of maintenance is August 13, 1943.

20186

It is ordered by the Commission that the sum of Fifteen Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars be appropriated to Mrs. J. W. Taylor in full satisfaction of final judgment in Cause No. 15810 in the District Court, McLENNAN COUNTY, Texas, styled Mrs. J. W. Taylor et al vs. The State of Texas, as authorized by Senate Bill No. 279, Acts 48th Legislature, Regular Session.

#### A.F.E. 43-175

20187

It is ordered by the Highway Commission that the sum of Two Hundred and Seventy-Four Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$274.80) be appropriated to Ruth Sapp, Clerk, Court of Civil Appeals at Waco, Texas, in full payment of costs of appeal in Cause No. 15810 in the Court of Civil Appeals at Waco, Texas, styled Mrs. J. W. Taylor et al vs. The State of Texas, as authorized by Senate Bill No. 279, Acts 48th Legislature, Regular Session.

# A.F.E. 43-176

20188

It is ordered by the Highway Commission that the sum of Three Hundred Seven Dollars and Eighty-five Cents (\$307.85) be appropriated to R. V. McClain, Clerk, District Court, McLENNAN COUNTY, Texas, in full payment of costs accrued in Cause No. 15810 in the District Court, McLennan County, Texas, styled Mrs. J. W. Taylor et al vs. The State of Texas, as authorized by Senate Bill No. 279, Acts 48th Legislature, Regular Session.

#### A.F.E. 43-177

20189

In PARKER COUNTY it is ordered that the sum of One Hundred Sixty-five Dollars and Fifty-three Cents (\$165.53) be appropriated to W. F. Howell in full satisfaction of judgment in favor of W. F. Howell and against the State of Texas, State Highway Department, rendered on November 21, 1941, in the District Court of Parker County, Texas, in Cause No. 9935, as provided for in House Bill No. 473 enacted by the Forty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, making an appropriation from the State Highway Fund for such purpose.

# A.F.E. 43-178

20190

In TARRANT COUNTY, it is ordered that the sum of Thirty-five Hundred (\$3,500.00) Dollars be appropriated to Mount Olivet Cemetery Company in full satisfaction of judgment in favor of Mount Olivet Cemetery Company and against the State of Texas, State Highway Department, rendered in Cause No. 25,570-A in the 69th District Court, Tarrant County, Texas, styled Mount Olivet Cemetery Company vs. The State of Texas.

# A.F.E. 43-179

20191

In TARRANT COUNTY on U. S. HIGHWAY 80-ALT., at the intersection of U. S. Highway 80-Alt. (Lancaster Street) and Summit Avenue in Fort Worth, a section approximately 0.027 mile in length, it is ordered by the Commission that the Special Specification Item 317 and Special Hot Mix Asphaltic Concrete Pavement, Type D, Modified, in the Texas Bitulithic Company contract in Terrant County designated as Project M-504-1-7, be changed to Standard S.H.D. Item 317, Hot Mix Asphaltic Concrete Pavement and that the Supplemental Agreement dated August 18, 1943 is hereby approved.

20192

In TERRY, DAWSON AND MARTIN COUNTIES, it is ordered that STATE HIGHWAY NO. 303 from Lamesa to Stanton be cancelled and STATE HIGHWAY NO. 137 now designated from Brownfield to Lamesa be extended from Lamesa to Stanton. Any and/or all conditions previously imposed are to remain in effect. This change is made to promote uniformity in marking.

20193

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 266, passed by the 48th Legislature, provides that all requests for leases and rentals to be used by all State Departments must be handled through the State Board of Control, and that contracts must be prepared by the Attorney General's Department following the handling of bids or advertisements by the Board of Control; and

WHEREAS, it requires not less than thirty days for the Board of Control and the Attorney General's Department to handle the requests, make awards, and prepare and submit contracts for signature; and

20193 Continued

WHEREAS, contracts between the State Highway Department and the owner normally require the signatures of all members of the Highway Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Commission normally meets only once each month, resulting in a maximum period of thirty additional days before Commission signatures can be affixed to said contracts; and

WHEREAS, it appears that an unreasonable length of time is now required to handle these matters to completion and that steps are in order to facilitate and simplify such handling;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED BY THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION that the State Highway Engineer is authorized to sign all such rental and lease contracts for the Highway Department where such rental and lease contracts do not exceed \$250.00 per annum.

20194

It is ordered by the Commission that the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of paying court costs, witness fees, and other proper expenses including the travelling expenses of representatives of the Attorney General necessary to the prosecution or defense of suits and claims involving this Department for the remainder of this fiscal year.

## A.F.E. 43-180

20195

It is ordered by the Commission that Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of paying court costs, witness fees, and other proper expenses including the travelling expenses of representatives of the Attorney General necessary to the prosecution or defense of suits and claims involving this Department.

This appropriation is in conformity with Opinion No. 0-2258 dated May 31, 1940.

#### A.F.E. 43-181

20196

It is ordered by the Commission that under authority granted by Senate Bill 199 passed by the 48th Legislature and Attorney General's Opinion No. 0-5264 dated April 29, 1943, that application be made to the United States Government on behalf of the State Highway Department of Texas for the purchase of 7/8 per cent Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness in the sum of ten million dollars(\$10,000,000.00).

It is further ordered that an appropriation is hereby made for the purchase of these certificates at par plus accrued interest.

#### A.F.E. 43-182

#### August 24, 1943

20197

WHEREAS, in <u>CALDWELL AND BASTROP COUNTIES</u>, the desirability of designating and maintaining a Farm to Market Road extending from Luling to Red Rock is under consideration; and

20197 Continued --

WHEREAS, the County, acting through its constituted authorities, has requested this designation and maintenance and has pledged that the County will retain full and complete responsibility for the full and final payment of all indebtedness prevailing against the road; and

WHEREAS, in offering to retain full responsibility for indebtedness prevailing against the road they recognize the financial gain that will accrue to the Counties from State assumption of the expense of future maintenance along the proposed designation; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 348, Regular Session, Forty-Eighth Legislature, makes possible County retention of prevailing indebtedness on Farm to Market Roads designated by the Highway Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Commission in its deliberation of the merits of this designation and maintenance has taken into consideration the policy of allowing County indebtedness to remain with the County, as well as the enabling legislation therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT a Farm to Market Road be and is hereby designated, extending from Luling to Red Rock, a distance of approximately 22.1 miles, said road to be signed for the proper guidance of the traveling public as a FARM TO MARKET HIGHWAY, and the State Highway Engineer is directed to inaugurate negotiations with Caldwell County to consummate an agreement whereby the County and/or Road District, acting by and through the Commissioners' Court, in consideration of this designation and maintenance, will retain full responsibility for all prevailing indebtedness against the road or roads that may serve either temporarily or permanently as a part of this designation, all as permitted under Senate Bill No. 348, Regular Session, 48th Legislature, and furnish such right of way as may be required. This order of the Highway Commission will not become effective until the agreement has been executed by authorized officials of Caldwell County and the State Highway Department. Minute No. 15971, dated February 20, 1939, is hereby modified to allow the provisions of this Commission Order to govern.

20198

It having been brought to the attention of the Commission that the funds previously made available for the issuance of I.P.E. Authorizations during the present fiscal year have been exhausted, and since an additional appropriation will be required to cover the cost of investigation and planning work now under way and provide funds for surveys and plans for Post War Program, and also undertake other meritorious preliminary work, it is ordered that an additional appropriation of \$150,000 be made for the remainder of the fiscal year ending August 31, 1943.

# A.F.E. 43-183

20199

In <u>BURLESON COUNTY</u>, it is ordered that a <u>FARM TO MARKET HIGHWAY</u> be and is hereby designated extending from the present Ferm Highway approximately 4.0 miles east of Snooks easterly approximately 2.0 miles to the State Experimental Farm Sub-Station on condition that the County will furnish such right of way as may be required and the State Highway Engineer is directed to make application to the Federal Government for approval to construct grading, drainage structures and surfacing at an estimated total cost of \$16,000 and to proceed with such construction when Federal approval is secured.

# August 24, 1943

20200

WHEREAS, in WASHINGTON AND BURLESON COUNTIES, the desirability of designating a Farm to Market Road extending from Independence to the present Farm Highway approximately 4.0 miles east of Snooks is under consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Counties, acting through their constituted authorities, have requested this designation and have pledged that the Counties will retain full and complete responsibility for the full and final payment of all indebtedness prevailing against the road; and

WHEREAS, Washington and Burleson Counties in offering to retain responsibility for indebtedness prevailing against the road, recognize the financial gain that will accrue to the Counties from State assumption of the expense of future construction and subsequent maintenance along the proposed designation; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 348, Regular Session, Forty-Eighth Legislature, makes possible County retention of prevailing indebtedness on Farm to Market Roads designated by the Highway Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Commission in its deliberation of the merits of this designation has taken into consideration the policy of allowing County indebtedness to remain with the Counties, as well as the enabling legislation therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that a Farm to Market Road be and is hereby designated, extending from Independence to the present Farm Highway approximately 4.0 miles east of Snooks a distance of approximately 17.0 miles, said road to be signed for the proper guidance of the travelling public as a FARM TO MARKET HIGHWAY, and the State Highway Engineer is directed to make location surveys, prepare rightof-way deeds, deliver the deeds to the Counties and prepare plans and specifications on this designation. The State Highway Engineer is directed further to inaugurate negotiations with Washington and Burleson Counties to consummate an agreement with each whereby the Counties and/or Road District acting by and through the Commissioners' Court, in consideration of this designation and future construction will retain full responsibility for all prevailing indebtedness against the road, as permitted under Senate Bill No. 348, Regular Session, Forty-Eighth Legislature, and furnish such right-of-way as may be required. This order of the Highway Commission will not become effective until agreements have been executed by the authorized officials of both Burleson and Washington Counties and by the Highway Department.

20201

In <u>SMITH COUNTY</u>, <u>HIGHWAY 64</u>, it is hereby ordered that the Governor be requested to execute a deed reconveying to W. W. Ginn et ux a part of the right-of-way conveyed to the State by them by deed dated November 16, 1935 and recorded in Volume 329, Page 314, which is no longer needed for Highway purposes.

## August 25, 1943

20202

In <u>KAUFMAN COUNTY</u>, on bids received August 25, 1943, contract for construction of timber bridges between Kemp and Tolosa, a distance of 5.8 miles on <u>STATE HIGHWAY 274</u>, Control 561-1-1, is awarded to Austin Bridge Company of Dallas, Texas for \$4,128.54, which is the lowest and best bid.

#### August 25, 1943

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In <u>KAUFMAN COUNTY</u> on <u>STATE HIGHWAY 274</u>, it is ordered by the Commission that the following contract, which has been examined by the Commission and found to comply with the order of award by the Commission, is hereby approved in accordance with Section 12, Chapter 186, General Laws of Texas, as passed by the 1925 Legislature, 39th Regular Session.

County	Job Number	Hwy. No.	Length	Contractor	Date	Amount
Kaufman	M-561-1-1	St.274	5.8	Austin Bridge Company	August 25,1943	\$ 4,128.54

It is ordered by the Commission that the Special Meeting of the State Highway Commission be closed at 1:00 P.M., August 25, 1943.

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing pages constitute the full, true and correct record of all proceedings and official orders of the State Highway Commission at its Three Hundred and Thirty-Fourth Meeting, a special meeting, held at Dallas, Texas on August 23, August 24 and August 25, 1943.

CHIEF MINUTE CLERK

TEXAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION